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TEA REPLANTATION
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to extend coffee/tea plantations to non-traditional areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Andhra Pradesh; and

(c) the success achieved by this project in different States and particularly in the State of Andhra Pradesh?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY(SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a)&(b): The Government is already encouraging cultivation of coffee in suitable parts of Non Traditional Areas (NTA) viz. Andhra Pradesh and Orissa. Andhra Pradesh is not a tea growing state and has been found to be unsuitable for good growth of tea. The details of area proposed for coffee expansion in non traditional area viz. Andhra Pradesh, Orissa during XIth Plan are furnished below:

Name of the State	Area in hectares
Andhra Pradesh	16000
Orissa	1100
Total	17100

(c) The total area under coffee in the NTA is 40916 hectare of which 37773 hectare is in Andhra Pradesh and the rest of 3143 hectares belong to Orissa. A sum of Rs.45 crore is allocated by the Government for coffee development activities in NTA during XIth Plan Period of which Rs.40 crore is earmarked for Andhra Pradesh and Rs. 5.00 crore for Orissa.